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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1059

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 5, 2004

BILL AMENDED: Feb 4, 2004

SUBJECT: Indiana Election Commission Membership.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Stilwell

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) The bill provides for a fifth member of the Indiana Election Commission (the Commission) who acts as the Commission's chair. The bill provides that the chair is a nonvoting member of the Commission unless the voting members of the Commission are evenly divided on a question before the Commission.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) Under the bill, the Commission would increase in membership by one person, whom would be designated chair and would be able to vote on a question before the Commission in the event a tie occurs from the votes cast by the existing other four members. Under current law, all members of the Commission that are not state employees are allowed a per diem, travel expense, and reimbursement of expenses in the line of duty of the Commission. (State employees are allowed travel, and reimbursement of expenses from their duty on the Commission.) The addition of a fifth member, unless the reimbursement allowed under current law were waived by the additional member, would increase the expenditure of the Commission.

The Commission met six times in CY 2003.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Election Commission.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: <http://www.in.gov/sos/elections/>.

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